

LOCAL NEWS.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES. May 20, 1879. For the Middle Atlantic States and New England generally lower pressure, winds mostly from southeast to southwest, stationary to rising temperature, partly cloudy or cloudy weather and local rains.

CONSERVATIVE WARD MEETINGS.—The conservatives of the city held their meetings for the nomination of Councilmen, Magistrates, &c., in the several wards last night.

First Ward.—The first ward meeting was called to order by Hugh Latham, Superior

On motion of S. S. Coleman Hugh Latham was elected chairman and J. M. Hill secretary. The chairman appointed J. D. Stanton and S. A. Mackie as tellers.

For the Board of Aldermen C. C. Smoot and W. A. Moore were named.

The ballot resulted: Smoot 88, Moore 74. So C. C. Smoot was declared elected.

For the Common Council a ballot resulted: Hugh Latham 96, Wm. R. Moore 94, Geo. W. Rook 81, Wm. H. Herbert 79, Charles L. Adams 71, Thomas H. Hays 66, J. H. Reid 30, George Washington 25, Edwin Stanton 22, Peter Anthony 3, Samuel Currier 1.

Messrs. Latham, Moore, Rook and Herbert were declared the nominees.

For Magistrate John H. Thompson and J. W. Campbell were named.

The ballot resulted: Thompson 45, Campbell 22.

George Washington tendered his resignation as a member of the Conservative Committee, which was accepted, and Wm. W. Herbert was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy.

Second Ward.—In the second ward the meeting was called to order by Theodore H. Peck, Jr. Ward Superintendent.

Henry Strauss was elected chairman and R. M. Latham, secretary.

Messrs. James P. Coleman, Geo. H. Bassart and M. B. Harlow were appointed tellers.

Wm. H. Marbury was nominated for Alderman by acclamation.

For the Common Council Joseph Brothers, T. H. Fickler, J. T. Beckham, J. P. Ritz, Thomas Rens and Edmund Burke were placed in nomination.

C. E. Stuart objected to Mr. Burke's name being placed before the meeting, on the ground that he was not a conservative.

George L. Simpson said it had been customary to allow anyone to be placed before the meeting, and while it would be very improper to nominate Mr. Burke, he did not consider it improper to place his name before the meeting.

The ballot resulted: Brothers 163, Beckham 150, Fickler 128, Rens 119, Ritz 45, Burke 22. So the four first named were declared elected.

Wm. P. Woods was nominated for Magistrate by acclamation.

During the balloting for Councilmen quite an exciting scene occurred. Mr. Chas. Elliott had challenged the vote of one of the men passing through the hall, on the ground that he was a non-resident of the ward, but it being proven that the challenged voter had been in the ward for six months, his vote was not counted.

Mr. Elliott refused to be convinced and protested loudly against the counting of the ballot. While the tellers were waiting for the expiration of the fifteen minutes fixed by resolution before counting the vote, Mr. Elliott sprang forward, grasped the ballot box and attempted to make off with it. Messrs. Strauss, Latham and others, however, seized the box and Mr. J. P. Coleman caught Elliott by the arm and caused him to release it. Elliott was then seized by officers James Smith, speedily removed from the room and locked up in the station house, where he was released at a late hour, on the intervention of friends. The attempt created great excitement.

Third Ward.—The third ward meeting was presided over by E. E. Dowham, with Jas. R. Oaten, secretary, and Jas. J. Doherty, assistant secretary.

E. E. Dowham was nominated for Alderman by acclamation.

For the Common Council Isaac Smith, Isaac Ebbert, James S. Douglass, M. McLean, W. H. Smith, Robert W. Ballenger, John Perry and John Q. Crupper were placed in nomination.

The ballot resulted: Smith 107, Ebbert 91, Douglass 82, McLean 75, W. H. Smith 59, Ballenger 59, Perry 19, Crupper 1.

Messrs. L. Smith, Ebbert, Douglass and McLean were declared nominated.

E. H. Hawkins was nominated to fill the unexpired term of A. Schellard by acclamation.

For Magistrate a ballot resulted: Frank Lowry 42, A. B. Crupper 23, John McLean 21, A. F. Cox 10, W. L. Penn 2, E. H. Hawkins 1.

Frank Lowry was declared the nominee.

The meeting then proceeded to ballot for a member of the Conservative Committee, viz: A. Schellard, removed from the city, with the following result: Isaac Smith 23, E. L. Brockert 12, M. McLean 5, R. C. Lee 5, Isaac Smith was elected.

Fourth Ward.—S. C. Neale was elected chairman of the fourth ward meeting and B. W. Nails secretary.

George A. Murbach and E. H. O'Brien were appointed tellers.

L. W. Reid and John B. Smoot were nominated for the Board of Aldermen by acclamation.

The ballot for members of the Common Council resulted as follows: Paul R. Evans, 70; J. W. Pease, 61; J. D. Jarvis, 53; J. P. Agnew, 31; H. V. Daniel, 27; George E. French, 24; Thomas Downey, 17; J. R. Zimmerman, 15; Peter Wise, 11; J. T. Nails, 11; W. F. Vincent, 7; G. W. Ramsay, 2; S. F. Reed, 1; blank, 2.

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O. C. Whitley was nominated for magistrate by acclamation.

COLORED CONSERVATIVES.—The colored conservatives held a meeting Saturday night, B. B. Hopkins presiding and C. W. Brown secretary.

The chair stated that the meeting was called to rally the conservative ticket and to select canvassers.

The following were selected as canvassers: C. W. Brown, J. W. Lane, M. L. Robinson, R. B. Hopkins, J. W. Burrell, J. T. Thornton, E. Cross and E. Carter.

Messrs. L. R. Gibson offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted: Whereas, by a fair expression of the conservative voters, expressed at the primary election held on the 12th instant, Courtland B. Smith, Esq., was chosen as the nominee of said party for the office of Mayor of Alexandria, and where as it is the indispensable duty of every true and loyal conservative to support the regular conservative ticket, and whereas the city government having been for the last two years governed by conservatives to the satisfaction of the people, we believe the restoration of the independent party of this city to power would be a great calamity, to avert which all true conservatives should put forth their best efforts; be it, therefore, Resolved, That we, the colored conservative club, pledge our undivided support to the regular conservative ticket, of which C. H. Smith, Esq., a man of irreproachable character, a popular lawyer, who is widely known and respected, is the regular nominee for Mayor.

The club then adjourned.

REPUBLICAN CITY CONVENTION.

—After the close of yesterday's report of the republican city convention, the resolution excluding all delegates who voted in the conservative primary election, was adopted, but no one withdrew.

Charles Seales then proposed the endorsement of Dr. J. B. Johnson for Mayor.

One of the delegates being called out at this point, the others became suspicious, and there were cries of "something rotten in Denmark."

After some opposition from Thomas Tancil, the proposition to endorse Dr. Johnson was carried by a vote of 35 to 1.

Wesley Makeley for Superintendent of Police, F. L. Brockert for Auditor, and M. B. Harlow for Treasurer, were unanimously endorsed.

It was resolved to be inexpedient to endorse any other candidates.

The following were elected members of the city executive committee: A. W. Harris, chairman; first ward, Augustus Hume and F. Fry; second ward, George H. Hobday and H. Johnson; third ward, J. McK. Ware and Hansal S. King; fourth ward, Geo. H. Thompson and Charles Seales.

After a resolution of thanks to Officer Walker, for his efficiency in preserving order, the meeting adjourned.

AN ESTIMABLE LADY MARRIED.—Mrs. Mary C. R. Bassford long a resident of this city, and, as the vice principal of the Westworth seminary, the instructor of hundreds of blooming girls, now sedate matrons, was well known in this community, was married in Baltimore last week to Mr. John F. Moffatt, of Kent county, Maryland.

Mrs. Bassford, who had been first her school teacher and then husband, left her pleasant school and many friends here and removed to Kent county, Md., where she made her home in the house of Mr. Moffatt, who had married the sister of Mrs. Bassford. She has resided there since, charming and ready as ever. About two years ago Mr. Moffatt lost his wife, and by her marriage to Mr. Moffatt Mrs. Bassford became the mistress of the house that she sheltered her for many years. She has friends here who wish her abundant happiness.

PROPERTY SALES.—Green & Wise, auctioneers, sold to day for Messrs. Beach, Stuart and Johnson, commissioners of sale in the case of Chiles & Co. vs. J. M. Stewart and others, the following real estate: Large brick dwelling on Washington street, now occupied by James M. Stewart, to Henry C. Halliwell, for \$6,500; property subject to an annual ground rent of \$1.66.

Also the two frame houses on the west side of St. Asaph street, between Cameron and Queen, subject to a ground rent of \$23.33 annually, to Samuel H. Janney, for \$600.

NO GAME.—On Saturday evening the Daaf and Dumb Base Ball Club of Washington came to this city according to appointment, to play a game with the Whiteside club of this city. The Washington men however had the bad taste to bring a negro as a member of their team, whereupon the Whitesides very properly refused to play with them. The Washington party were very indignant, but not more so than the Whitesides, who regard the affair as an insult to them.

PERSONAL.—Hon. James V. Brooks, of Warrenton, was in the city to day.

Mr. Robert Porter is confined to his house from a severe attack of rheumatism.

Judge Lowe's condition is somewhat improved to-day, though he yet lies in a very critical condition. He is the recipient of marked attention, and all that can be done for his comfort is being done by kind friends.

RUNAWAY.—Two horses attached to a wagon belonging to Mr. Frank J. Pollard ran away from in front of that gentleman's feed store, corner of King and Henry streets, yesterday evening, and were not stopped until they reached Shuter's Hill. In their rapid flight they officially cleared that end of King street of vehicles and pedestrians, but fortunately did no damage.

CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY.—Judge James Keith presiding.—Wheeler vs. Baegmuller; jury disagreed, and were discharged; case continued.

F. S. Potter vs. F. M. Mills; overruled; do murmur argued and submitted to the Judge.

Court adjourned at 12 m. to meet at 10 a. m. to-morrow morning.

DANGEROUS.—Complaint is made of the unsafe condition of many of the coal holes in the pavements on King street. It is said that many of them are regular man traps. A gentleman, on his way home, on Sunday night, fell through one of these holes and bruised one of his legs very severely. He had to be assisted from his predicament by the bystanders.

SKATING RINK.—The skating rink at Sarepta Hall continues in full operation, and is well patronized both day and night. The passion for roller skating seems to have taken a firm hold on the younger portion of the community, and some of them are becoming quite proficient in the art.

HEAVY RAIN FALL.—The rain near West End yesterday evening was so violent and the amount of water which came down the valley from the Seminary so great as to lead some persons to believe that a water spout had burst over the city. The meadows were covered with water to a considerable depth.

THE CANAL.—It was reported here this afternoon that there was a break in the canal near Georgetown. It is not known whether there is any foundation for the report, as boats came down this morning.

LOST.—On the street, a gentleman's old fashioned CARFEN, with emerald setting. A suitable reward will be paid if left at the W. corner of Duke and St. Asaph sts.

REFRIGERATORS AND WATER COOLERS.—We have in store and for sale a nice lot of Refrigerators of all styles, consisting of Chest, Upright, Living Room, and the Snow Flake Water Coolers, of all sizes; also Porcelain lined Water Cooler Stands, &c., &c. Call and examine.

WE HAVE NOW IN STOCK A VERY SUPERIOR STOCK OF GENTLEMEN'S FINE SHOES.—embracing all the new styles for spring, summer and winter. They are handsomely made, good, durable and cheap.

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CALICOES, or compressed Calicoes, a beautiful and durable article for making shirts, collars, &c., ready for using the adding water. Sample cards of all shades furnished upon application.

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CONGRESSIONAL.

Reported for the Alexandria Gazette.

WASHINGTON, May 20

SENATE.

Mr. McDonald asked leave to introduce a bill authorizing the President of the United States to employ the militia and land and naval forces of the U. S. to enforce the laws whenever their execution is obstructed by combinations too powerful to be suppressed by the judicial authorities, etc., and preventing the military from being used as a police comitatus (except in cases authorized by the Constitution and law).

Mr. Edmunds objected to the introduction of the bill on the ground that previous notice had not been given.

Mr. McDonald then withdrew the bill, and gave notice he should seek leave to introduce it to-morrow.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the Legislative, Judicial and Executive Appropriation bill.

Mr. Sanders read a short speech in opposition to the bill that the use of the military is necessary to a certain election in the South.

Mr. Whyte said the political classes of the bill were not extensive enough to meet his views, which were opposed to all federal interference—civil or military in State affairs. In his judgment there is no such thing as national elections. Elections are either State or municipal. Senators and Representatives are agents of and responsible to the State. There has been no prototype for our form of government.

Mr. Whyte made a constitutional and historical argument to support these views.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.—The House resumed as the business of the morning hour the bill to amend the laws relating to the transfer of slaves from State to Federal courts, and Mr. Turner, of Md., concluded his argument against it. He asked whether if an officer in the execution of the fugitive slave law had committed a homicide, that officer would have been left as he would be under this bill to the tender mercies of a Massachusetts jury, and he asserted that the protection of the Government should be guaranteed to federal officers.

There was but one power sovereign and supreme in this broad land, and that was the power of the Government of the United States.

Mr. Frye, of Maine, moved to lay the bill on the table.

The motion was defeated—yeas, 98; nays, 112—and the House then proceeded to vote on a motion to reconsider, the yeas and nays being demanded on the Republican side for the purpose of consuming the morning hour.

The vote on Mr. Frye's motion was a strict party one, with the exception of Mr. Conger, of Michigan, who voted in the affirmative for the purpose of moving up reconsideration.

Of the non-partisan members, Ladd and Ford voted in the affirmative and Laws, March, Stephens, Weaver, Dela Matre and Gillette in the negative.

A motion to lay on the table the motion to reconsider the vote was agreed to yeas 117, nays 97; and the House resumed the consideration of the Warner Silver bill; the question being on the third section allowing the deposit of bullion at any mint, and its being coined for the benefit of the owner.

Mr. Conger, of Mich., moved to lay the 31 section of the bill on the table. Defeated yeas 112, nays 116. The effect of the adoption of this motion would have been to kill the bill.

FREEDMEN'S BANK.—The select committee of the Senate, appointed to investigate all matters pertaining to the Freedmen's Savings and Trust Company, met this morning. Every member of the committee was present. Senator Bruce occupying the chair, Messrs. Cowell, Leopold and Purvis, the commissioners appointed under the act of Congress to close up the affairs of the institution, made a statement of the operations to date, presenting schedules showing the condition of the company.

THE REVENUE.—The Ways and Means committee to day passed the following resolution: Resolved, That this committee will not consider at this session any bills or joint resolutions affecting the revenue, and that all such measures shall be laid over until the regular session in December.

If babies could talk, they would often say pray their thanks to their nurses, for relieving the pain and suffering by the use of Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup.

For New York custom made CLOTHING, warranted not to rip, see S. DEALMAN, 62 King st., corner of Fairfax.

PORT OF ALEXANDRIA, MAY 20, 1879. Sun rises..... 4 46 Sun sets..... 7 7

ARRIVED.—Str J. W. Thompson, lower P. O. to F. A. Reed, Schir Sarah C. Smith, Kennebec, to F. A. Reed.

CLARKED.—Str DeLancey, Philadelphia, by F. A. Reed. Str J. M. McLean, Norfolk, by F. A. Reed. Str Mattano, lower P. O., by J. Brothers & Co. Str Peter Cooper, Norfolk, to J. P. Agnew & Co.

PASSED UP.—Schira Rock, Neptune, Walker and W. L. Hall, for Washington.

MEMORANDA.—Schira Charles Woolley and J. J. Ward, hence, at N. Y. 19th inst.

Schira Joseph Baymore, J. M. Flanagan, Alameda and Mary O. Arnold, Georgetown, at N. Y. 19th inst.

SUMMER AT BRENGLER'S.—FRESH MILK, BERRIES & CREAM. FRESH MILK, BERRIES & CREAM.

HENRY BRENGLER will add this week to his establishment, 126 King street, the WEST GROVE DAIRY.

BRENGLER'S MILK AND CREAM STAND in the CITY MARKET (L. Simpson, Manager) will offer the richest milk and the purest cream ever produced. Try and you'll agree. Try and you'll buy. Fresh Milk will also be kept on draft and in ice at his King street establishment.

No other Candies and Taffy of all kinds, Black, Fruit, Pound, Jolly and Fancy Cakes. Rice, Tapioca, Macaroni, and the purest Water. And also all the delicacies of the season. He orders for families and entertainments, and supplies families with milk.

BUFFALO LITRIA WATER.—Another large supply just received direct from the springs by

GLINES' ROOF PAINT.—for painting shingles or tin roofs to prevent leaking, &c., for sale by

FLORCO STAIN.—of best quality, and at a greatly reduced price, prepared by

FAMILY ROE HERRING.—early catch, choice, in bbls and half bbls and loose, for sale by

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—Having taken out letters of administration on the estate of the late JOHN B. WKB-TRE, I am to give notice to all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make immediate settlement, and all those having claims to produce the same for payment.

A N ELECTION FOR A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN FROM THE FIRST WARD.—The vacancy caused by the resignation of C. H. Smith, Esq., will be held on THURSDAY, May 23, instant.

By order of the Board of Aldermen: J. J. JAMESON, Clerk.

FIVE PACKAGES CHOICE NEW YORK BUTTER.—fresh, just received by

THE WAR IN SOUTH AMERICA.—LONDON, May 20.—The Times, in its final article, says:—

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Y. M. C. A.—The 26th Anniversary Meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association of this city will be held to night in the basement of the 21 Presbyterian Church at 8 o'clock. The members are hereby notified that at this meeting an election will be held for officers to serve during the ensuing year. Reports from the various activities will be presented. The usual system of the distribution of the monthly notices has been abandoned since the April meeting.

JAMES ENTWISLE, JR., General Secretary.

LOCAL PRIVILEGES.

The 3d ward public sale will meet to-morrow night to commence a ward ticket.

A freight house is being built on 110th street, foot of Prince st., for the accommodation of the steamers landing there.

An unaccountable man created a stampede near the Fair Grounds yesterday evening, but was finally secured without doing any damage.

A large number of negroes, both men and women, left for Norfolk on the steamer George Lyby last night to engage in straw berry picking.

Resigned.—BERLIN, May 20.—In the session of Parliament to-day the Vice President read a letter from Herr Von Forckenbeck, announcing his resignation of the presidency of the House on the ground of ill health and the antagonism between his own views and those of a majority of the Reichstag, as foreboded in his remarks at the dinner of the free trade representatives on the 18th inst.

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Colored Silks at 55c, 65c, 75c and \$1, and Black Silks at 65c, 75c, 85c, \$1, up to \$3. Our \$1 and \$1.25 Black Silks are "special bargains." Black Crepe and Crepe Veils, Black Cashmere Shawls, beautiful Spring Dress Goods at 55c up to \$1. Linen Lawns and Black Cashmires, pure wool, at 50c, 62c and 75c.

711 Market Space, Wash., D. C.

Avoid the very appearance of heat by having your clothes stored and kept until winter at Sinsbury's, corner of King and Columbus st. Call and see their new revolving Pop Cork Stove.

TO THE PUBLIC!—Notwithstanding the strong pressure for "cheaper" goods to which most manufacturers have yielded by lowering both quality and price, I have maintained the highest standard of our product while reducing prices by every legitimate means. The people are tired of "shoddy" clothing, bought only from necessity, and the country's improvement is evidenced by the growing demand for better goods. For the spring of 1879 I have prepared one of the choicest stocks of Stylish Clothing I ever produced, and my prices are as low as the cost of labor and material will permit. Terms cash.

310 7th Street, Washington, D. C., Near Pennsylvania Avenue.

WANTED.—I desire to borrow for about two years, at a liberal rate of interest, \$15,000, to be secured by deed of trust, or otherwise, on valuable city property; intention to be paid as desired. Address J. B. Gazette office, ap18-1f

TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE.—Room No. 6, Market Building, Alexandria, Va., May 14th, 1879.

The attention of the public is called to the following resolution passed by the City Council on the 8th of April, 1879, namely:

Resolved, That the Collectors of Taxes be, and are hereby directed to proceed and sell at public auction all real estate in the city of Alexandria, on which taxes are due and unpaid to May 20, 1879, in conformity to the City Charter. Said sale to commence on Wednesday, the 4th day of June, 1879.

The sale as above ordered has been postponed to Wednesday, June 18th, 1879. Lists of those persons in arrears of taxes are now being prepared by the Collectors for advertisement. Property owners who do not desire their property advertised can make a saving by an immediate settlement. Damages at